

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests substantive examination of the application in view of the above amendment and the following remarks.

None of the claims are currently amended.

In response to the assertion in the Office Action that the claims of this application do not constitute "a single general inventive concept" under PCT rule 13.1 (see MPEP 1850), and the requirement under 37 CFR 1.499, that applicant elect a single invention to which prosecution will be restricted, applicant hereby elects the invention of group I described in the office action as consisting of claims 1-23.

Applicant traverses the requirement because any reasonable search of the elected group of claims will be sufficient for examining the other group of claims, so that there is no legal reason that the examiner should insist on restriction.

Applicants received a previous Office Action dated 06/26/2009 that made the same restriction requirement. Applicants responded to that previous Office Action on July 27, 2009.

All the claims are in condition for allowance and applicant respectfully requests allowance of all the claims.

Please charge any fee deficiencies and credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 14-1270.

Respectfully submitted,

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